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Sir:

In re application of:

Kiyoto Takizawa et al.

Entitled: METHOD FOR MELTING METALLIC RAW MATERIAL IN METAL MOLDING APPARATUS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The following checked items are applicable: This is a Request for Continued Examination under §1.114; authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account [] No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$_) per §1.17(e). per §1.116. Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _ [] Small Entity Status is asserted. A Petition for Extension of Time for ___ month is hereby made under §1.136(a); authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$____) per §1.17. In the event a Petition for Extension of Time is required by this paper and not otherwise provided, such Petition is hereby [X]made and authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of such extension. Other: []

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AMENDMENT

Via Facsimile Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2007, please amend the claims as noted below.